

March 17, 2020

A PASTORAL LETTER IN A TIME OF CORONA

Dear Friends,

This is a truly unique time for our modern WORLD! Unprecedented in fact. The situation with Covid-19 changes so quickly that our responses often fall short of what we should all be doing. Our response to date is as follows:

Deering Community Church

- Voted to close its doors for the next two weeks. However, it appears it may need to be longer due to recent changes. We'll monitor and let you know asap.
- We will share an update every two weeks to keep you informed of what is recommended and/or required.

MEETINGS

- We will hold our first Sunday all Ministry/Committee meeting via the internet on the Zoom platform. (If your group needs to meet separately from this, I suggest you use Free Conference Call as it does not limit your time, the number of participants, etc. as does Free Zoom.)
- The good news about these platforms is that even those without computer or internet access can call in and participate by cell or regular phone.

WORSHIP

Will take place on every Sunday we are unable to meet in the church. Those who cannot be in worship at 10:00am can later watch a recording of worship if I figure that out. When attendees enter the Worship, they will be asked to consent to be recorded. If you opt out you will leave Worship. This does not prevent you from watching it later

PLEDGES AND DONATIONS

PLEASE, keep up your financial support throughout this crisis if you are able. The bills need to be paid and the work carry's on. **REMEMBER**, if you have access, you can donate, make your One Great Hour of Sharing donation, or pay your pledge via the PAYPAL link on our church web page

<http://www.deeringcommunitychurch.org/> Just click the  icon and follow the directions. Also, make a note what the money is for, a pledge, OGHS, a donation, etc.

MAILING CHECKS: Financial Secretary, Pasca Ferwerda asks that you send checks directly to her at 43 Bartlett Hill Rd., Deering, NH 03244. If you have questions email or call.

STAYING IN TOUCH

We urge you to stay in touch with each other via phone, email, texts, etc. We need each other more than ever. Thanks so much for your patience, level headedness and prayers during this difficult time.

Peace,

Rev. Bill Beardslee